



# APRIL UU NEWS

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**YOU ARE INVITED AND WELCOME to join us for conversation with coffee and treats...the SERVICE BEGINS at 10:30 am**

## **Sunday Forum on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:15 am**

**B.Y.O.T. (Bring Your Own Topic)** The topics might include memories of Easters Past, the latest Facebook scandal or some other item suggested by our loquacious Forum attendees. Facilitated by the forum members that show up on Easter Sunday.

## **Sunday Adult RE on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:15 am**

**Melancholy.** "All changes, even the most longed for, have their melancholy, for what we leave behind us is a part of ourselves; we must die to one life before we can enter into another." - Anatole France. Have you taken the time to mourn and give thanks for your old life? Have you taken time to say goodbye and thank you?

## **Sunday Service on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 am**

**You Can't Get to Easter Until... What does it take to get to Easter?** "Gloriousness and wretchedness need each other. One inspires us, the other softens us. They go together" - Pema Chödrön. Join Lay Leader Barb Gutsch in exploring the wretchedness we wade through on our way to the resurrection.



## **Sunday Forum on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am**

**It's All in the Family.** Close your eyes and visualize an "ideal" family. Compare your image to a research finding that 75 percent of examined adolescent murders were from fatherless homes. Men are leaving their families. Is it a concern? If so how would you try to fix it? Facilitated by Glen Lakes.



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**Emergence.** Spring is about emergence in its abundant new growth. Young adults are emerging with serious demands for change. Comes from the Latin *emergere*, to bring to light. Patrick Harrington will explore with us how emergence brings light.



## **Sunday Forum on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am**

**What Does it Mean to Be a People of Balance?** Balance was the Soul Matters topic for March. It appeals to me because I so often feel unbalanced. Perhaps you share that feeling and would like to talk about it with other Forum members. Facilitated by Glen Lakes.



## **Sunday Adult RE on April 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am**

**Worship.** Ralph Waldo Emerson said we need to be careful about what we worship because "what we are worshipping we are becoming." When was the last time you asked, "What am I really worshipping?"

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**What Feeds Us.** It is no coincidence that many of our media metaphors have food and diet imagery. We talk about what news we *consume*. Many of our apps have a *news feed*. We talk about *binge* viewing. Many people strive to be conscious about our diet and our food intake, but Jack Gaede wonders what it would look like for us to be equally conscious of our media intake. Many people talk about the merits of a cleanse or a detox, but what does that look like in our current media landscape? Jack Gaede is a ministerial candidate who obtained his Master of Divinity degree from United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities. He is currently serving as the Ministerial Intern at All Souls UU in Kansas City. He loves activism, reading, theater, running, puzzles, fall colors and travel.



### Sunday Forum on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:15 am

**Is Inequality Ever Justified?** Does money make you happy? Does being rich contribute to your spiritual life and its possibilities? Is the gap between the rich and poor a religious problem as well as a social problem in desperate need of solutions? Jesus said: "You will always have the poor among you." (Matthew 26:11). He also said, "God blesses you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours." (Luke 6:20). Facilitated by Glen Lakes.

### Sunday Service on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:30 am

**Changing Our Attitudes Toward the Earth.** *"When we look down on the Earth from space, we see this amazing, indescribably beautiful planet. It looks like a living, breathing organism. But it also at the same time, looks extremely fragile."* - Ron Garan, NASA Astronaut. For this Earth Day Celebration, David Hanson plans to discuss the history behind the current paradigm abusing and plundering our planet and the importance in changing the prevailing attitudes toward the earth and its resources. Goal is to help others and to advocate for respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part, our seventh UU principle.



### Sunday Forum on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am



**When Is a Watershed Moment Really a Watershed Moment?** A "watershed moment" is a point in time that marks an important, often historical change. The pertinent original usage of "watershed" is to describe a ridge of land separating waters that then flow into two different bodies." from: *Dictionary and Thesaurus* | Merriam-Webster. So how do you tell if something (i.e. #metoomovement) is a watershed moment or a momentary fad?

### Sunday Service on April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am

**And the Children Shall Lead.** NO, this is not about the October 1968 Episode of StarTrek, nor is it about the wolf lying down with the lamb in Isaiah 11:6. This service is about the creativity of Unitarian and Universalist youth who merged their organizations into the Liberal Religious Youth (YRL) ten years before the adults managed to merge Unitarian Universalism. Join Lay Leader Barb Gutsch in celebrating the creativity of youth both then and now.



## IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR THAT REFLECT THE LIFE AND GROWTH OF OUR UU FELLOWSHIP OF SALINA

### Sunday UUFS Transport Team is ready and able!

We have transporters who will get people to 901 Beatrice for services on Sunday mornings. Anyone who wants a ride should call Diana Tarver at 785-643-5664 before 6 o'clock on Saturday night. She will contact the team and have the driver confirm with the rider. We want you to call when you need a ride!

### Meditation Group continues on Thursdays during April from 4:00 to 4:45 pm

We will gather together for mediation throughout April (the 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>). Please join us whenever it works for you. We currently start with a brief meditative reading and anyone is free to bring a reading at any time.

### Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:30 – Friday Night Live Art Walk at the UU Visual Voices Gallery

There will be a reception of art as faith from 4:30-6:00 at the Fellowship. Stop by for refreshment and to check out the art.



**Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> – Matinee Performance of Tuck Everlasting at 2:00 pm at Salina Community Theatre**

UU Children and Youth will be going to see the musical, Tuck Everlasting. If you are interested in sponsoring a child or helping to chaperone, please contact Barb Gutsch at [785-829-1821](tel:785-829-1821). Tickets prices are adults \$35, seniors \$30, students \$20.

**Popcorn Theology (grades 4-8) will meet on Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 pm**

We be watching and discussing Walt Disney Pictures' TUCK EVERLASTING, a timeless and enchanting adventure about one girl's magical summer. Young Winnie Foster, stifled by the formality of her proper life and domineering mother, escapes into the woods only to get lost. Soon she happens upon Jesse Tuck -- a boy full of life and adventure who's unlike anyone she's ever met -- and falls in love. The Tucks, a kind and generous family, have a powerful secret -- a spring that holds the magic of everlasting life. And now Winnie must choose to live life as she knows it or drink from the spring.

**Youth Group (grades 8 and up) on Sunday evenings, April 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 7 pm**

Youth Group will meet to close out the year and celebrate our time together. We'll have a meal together and check in with each other about our upcoming trip to Kansas City for the UU General Assembly.

**General Assembly Fund Raising.** The UUFs Youth and Popcorn Kids will continue to raise money for General Assembly. They are considering conducting a talent show at Ad Astra and selling water bottle carriers at Discover Salina Naturally on May 6. If you have any other ideas for fundraising, please contact Willow, Diana T. or Barb.

**Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, directly after the service – UUFs Board meeting**

As always, all members and friends are welcome to attend. Your voice and your vote are important to us!

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**Soul Matters Small Groups will continue in April with the topic of Emergence**

We'll be exploring the question, "What Does it Mean to be a People of Emergence?" during the month of April. Talk with Barb Gutsch or Diana Tarver, if you are interested in finding out more about small groups.

**The Soul Matters [Spotify](#) Playlist for April is ready!** Get your monthly dose of Soul Matters tunes by following this link:

<https://open.spotify.com/user/1244405212/playlist/5kx2tk1wUsPjLcExJs79KZ>.

Each month, Soul Matters member Julianne Thompson Lewis, DRE at our congregation in Saratoga Springs, New York, assembles this playlist of songs related to our monthly theme. Thanks Julianne! No need to purchase a subscription to Spotify to listen; there is a free version available by simply following the link and logging in.

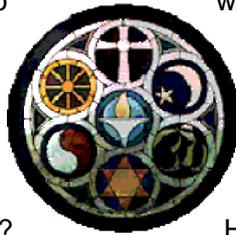


## MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR UU COMMUNITY

### **General Assembly 2018 June 20-24, 2018 in Kansas City, MO All Are Called**

General Assembly is that time of year that UUs from around the country, indeed around the world, gather to share, discuss, plan and just be together in a positive, supportive UU kind of way. AND THIS YEAR GA IS IN KANSAS CITY!!!! It is so close and such a great opportunity that we are encouraging everyone to try to attend ALL OR PART of the 5 day event.

Grounded in a deep belief that we are all prophets, Unitarian Universalists ask, "How can we faithfully meet the demands of our time?" The call to and in the world is clear. So, too, is the practices, dismantling and transforming humanity of all people and to honor the Kansas City as we dive deeply into Universalist Association, for our for each of us as individuals. Together, be at this time, individually and collectively?



witness and act for justice in our society call to examine our structures and those which fail to recognize the full interdependent web of life. Join us in questions of mission for our Unitarian congregations and communities, and we'll ask: Who and how are we called to How are we called to act and to live?

How does our Unitarian Universalist legacy strengthen us in living out our mission? In what ways does our legacy present challenges and impediments to answering our call? The call of our faith has a place for each of us. Join us in Kansas City to build courageous, collective leadership with tools, skills and connections.

#### UUFS Compassion Fund

If you know of a Fellowship member or friend (person who attends) who might be in need of the Fellowship's support with a food card, cash, or through connections with a local agency, please contact one of our compassion fund team, Jackie Ash, Bev Davis and Barb Gutsch. We want the Fund to be active - with funds and other help coming in and going out. The purpose of the Fund is to show that we care and take care of each other.

#### Cards for Fellowship Celebrations and Concerns

Please let Teri Harrington know if there is someone that you believe could benefit from receiving a card from our Fellowship. She can be contacted by email at [teriyaki315@hotmail.com](mailto:teriyaki315@hotmail.com) or by cell phone at 785-342-4817.

#### How Can You Help Out? – Needs at our Fellowship

There is an open position on the board for our board president. Talk to a board member if you are interested in the possibility of taking this position.

Have you missed a service that you really wanted to attend? Go to <http://uusalina.org/sermon-podcasts.html> to listen to audio recordings of services.



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# ART AT UU - VISUAL VOICES GALLERY

Visual Voices Gallery at UU- March/ April  
art as faith  
Exhibiting Artist – Kelly Anquoe



After completing 25  
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2017 Kelly began focusing full time on an art career that was interrupted as a youth in Tulsa, OK. Kelly was raised among the inter-tribal community of Oklahoma as a painter, dancer, singer, maker of Native clothing, and organizer of Native events. The members of the Anquoe family are well known within the dance circles throughout the United States primarily as singers. Kelly's mother is of Cherokee descent and has been making all forms of women's tribal dance clothing for many years. Currently Kelly is showing works around the northeast Oklahoma area and online. He is also the President of the Unitarian Congregation of Tahlequah where he enjoys discussing art history and professes "art as faith" and looks forward a new art atmosphere for the new millennium in the Midwest.

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*Exhibitions at Art at UU – Visual Voices are determined by a committee, and change every two months. Artists interested in showing their two-dimensional work at Art at UU – Visual Voices can receive an application; please send an email to [uusalina@cox.net](mailto:uusalina@cox.net). Anyone can make an appointment to see the current exhibition by emailing same address as above. The work is also on view Sunday mornings during the Forum discussion group at 9:15am and the UU service which begins at 10:30am. All are welcome.*

## **What Does It Mean To Be a People of Emergence?**



Our survival adaptations are so tough, but our wounds are so delicate. To heal, we have to lift the armor carefully- it saved our lives, after all. It's like moving your best friend off to the side of the path. You don't trample on her, you don't hit her with a sledgehammer. You honor her presence like a warm blanket that has kept you safe and sound during wintry times. And then, when the moment is right, you get inside and stitch your wounds with the thread of love, slowly and surely, not rushing to completion, nurturing as you weave, tender and true. The healing process has a heart of its own, moving at its own delicate pace.

Words by Jeff Brown